
Program Memorandum Intermediaries/Carriers

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SUBJECT: Deletion of Temporary “K” Codes K0008 and K0013

The HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Alpha-Numeric Workgroup has decided to delete the following codes from the HCPCS tape:

K0008 – Custom manual wheelchair base

K0013 – Custom motorized/power wheelchair base

These codes affect the Virtual Multiple Storage (VMS), the Common Working File (CWF), and the local Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (DMERC) systems.

While the workgroup discontinued these two codes effective July 1, 2001, we allow for a 90-day grace period. Therefore, all of the above systems must mark codes K0008 and K0013 as discontinued for dates of service after September 30, 2001. The master HCPCS file will list these codes as discontinued as of July 1, 2001.

Affected contractors must publish a notice concerning the deletion of these codes on their websites and in their next regularly scheduled bulletins.

The *effective date* for this Program Memorandum (PM) is July 1, 2001.

The *implementation date* for this PM is October 1, 2001.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after September 30, 2002.

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